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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE
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Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 28, 2004 for three(3) month(s) from January 28, 2005 to April 28, 2005. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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